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## SHOULD TURN TO NEW INDUSTRIES

WINNING THE WAR HAS BEEN MAIN OBJECT PAST FEW MONTHS BUT NOW WE MAY DO OTHER THINGS

## RESUME WORK OF BUILDING THE CITY OF LUBBOCK

We Merely Stopped Long Enough to Have a Hand in Putting an Ex to Kaiser, and We Should Now Turn Attention to Developing Greatest Country in the World—The South Plains.

The most important history of the world is in the making. We have passed through a stressful period, but with the dawn of peace relief is at hand. We are now at the pivotal point—the transformation of a nation from a war basis to one of peaceful industrial pursuits. What happened during the past year or more is a record we all well know, but the curtain is about to raise on a new and happier scene—an era of prosperity.

Starting with the nation and going clear down along the line through business to the individual, all have been affected, by the world war—some probably more than others, but affected nevertheless. At the start things happened fast and furious and possibly many mistakes were made by the heads of the various departments, but as a whole the people of the United States have been protected, and by their loyalty and willingness to co-operate the great task of feeding and clothing our own army and feeding the armies of our allies was accomplished, and no one was especially hurt. Of course inconveniences were encountered and many of us felt keenly the sting in an industrial way, but we need only now to use good common sense and economy for a while longer to bring everything back to a basis where we will be doing greater things than ever in the United States, Texas and even Lubbock. True, operations almost ceased so far as improvements were concerned, and correctly so, because we had to win the war, and our undivided attention, energies and finances were required to quickly put a crimp in the Kaiser's hide.

There are those, of course, who are

erying calamity and trouble ahead, but they are looking through the wrong end of the telescope. They are blind to the world about them; they are totally ignorant of existing facts and conditions; they have not even begun to analyze the situation—take this kind of cattle in charge and show them where to head in. The calamity howler is a very undesirable citizen anyway, and the quicker the progressive citizen realize that these kind of citizens are given to understand that they should co-operate in building up a nation rather than pull it down, the better it will be for all concerned. Bring it down to our own community. We have no time for knockers. We have helped our part in stamping the Kaiser's face out of sight, and now since the boys are coming back, we must get busy and whip into the building line again. Lubbock must go steadily on, and finish the job of making the CITY of the SOUTH PLAINS, that we started out to do some years ago. The foundation is already laid—we have now only to go forward with the building.

We realize that this section has passed through two years of rather dry weather, and short crops, but knowing the people of this section as we believe we do, we are not at all uneasy as to the future—we know how quickly they will take hold and pull the old ship of prosperity across the troubled waves and land it right slap in the center of the great south plains.

Our farmers know what this country can do, and they have stood by their guns and will come out victorious in the end. The South Plains is a winner. Lubbock is sure to be the big city. Come to Lubbock.

## Report on United War Work Campaign in Lubbock County

\* Below we give a report of the amount subscribed by the various districts in Lubbock County, with the quota assessed, the amount subscribed, and the percentage of the subscription to the quota. Full reports are still lacking from some districts, and a full report will be published as soon as these returns come in:

District—	Quota	Subscription	Perctg.
Lubbock Independent	\$	\$743.72	
Slaton	1100.00	1114.19	1.01
New Hope	50.00	80.75	1.61
Bledsoe	200.00	284.75	1.42
Canyon	150.00	205.00	1.37
Hardy	100.00	112.25	1.12
Shallowater	200.00	209.00	1.04
Pettit	100.00	102.50	1.02
Monroe	125.00	89.00	.64
Caldwell	50.00	30.50	.61
Vaughn	125.00	68.00	.54
Prairie View	50.00	27.00	.54
Woodrow	50.00	21.00	.42
Acuff	150.00	49.00	.33
Idalou	200.00	57.00	.28
Center	100.00	17.00	.17
Carlisle	150.00	25.00	.17
Slide	125.00	9.00	.07
Grovesville	100.00	2.50	.02
Union	50.00	No Rep.	
Total Lubbock County	\$4900.00	\$6237.76	1.28%
Hockley County	250.00	157.50	.63
Cochran County	200.00	50.00	.25
Grand Total—			
Lubbock and attached counties	\$5350.00	\$6445.26	1.22

GEORGE W. BRIGGS, Chairman.

## FIRST UNITS OF A. E. F. WILL RETURN TO U. S. THIS WEEK

Washington, Nov. 25.—First units of the American expeditionary forces to return from overseas are expected to arrive in New York about the end of the present week.

General March, chief of staff, announced tonight that 382 officers and 6,614 men of the air service and other detachments training in England are homeward bound on the Minnekahka, Lapland and Orea, British liners. The first two ships left Liverpool last Friday and the Orea sailed on Saturday. This announcement means that the movement of the American troops now in England, the majority of whom are in air service detachments, will continue steadily until all of them, some 20,000 have returned to this country. There are no regiments or other units of line troops in Great Britain. The first movement of the larger units, such as brigades and divisions, will come from French ports, it is assumed, as the British cross-channel service is completely occupied with the forces.

Before General March's announcement, Secretary Baker discussed with newspaper correspondents the return of American troops from France. Their homeward movement, he said, is dependent almost entirely upon the limitation of transportation facilities both at sea and in France. Besides employing in this work the German liners seized in this country, Dutch vessels taken over and all other available transports, Mr. Baker said some part of the British transport tonnage employed in carrying troops to France, will continue to be used in getting the men home. He pointed out, however, that Great Britain will need many of her ships to carry home Canadian, Australian, New Zealand and other colonial forces which have been in France longer than the American armies.

The secretary said the great British liners Mauretania, Olympic and Aquitania have been in the American transport service for a year and that the Mauretania is still so engaged.

## SCHOOL DID NOT CLOSE FOR THANKSGIVING TODAY

The Lubbock School did not close for Thanksgiving this year. They have been closed so much since they started that it was thought best by the directors of the school that no more time be lost than can be helped, so they went steadily on with the grind, giving only a longer noon recess for the turkey dinner occasion.

W. C. Vaughn returned Saturday from Marshall, Texas, where he was called to the bedside of his two daughters. He came back by McKinney to visit two of his sisters. Mr. Vaughn reports that his daughters are doing nicely and will soon be about again.

Mr. Rix, manager of the Rix Furniture and Undertaking Company at this place accompanied by his wife, left Wednesday for Big Spring to spend Thanksgiving with relatives.

## WOODMEN CIRCLE ENJOYS VERY PLEASANT EVENING

Last Thursday evening was a pleasant one spent by the members of the Woodmen Circle at the Hall. Three new members were obligated and given the password. They were Mrs. Barnett, Beulah Dixon and Miss Banks. We hope our enjoyable meetings will entice them to come back again.

Upon entering the hall we encountered the familiar face of Sov. Benson, who had been absent on an eight months pleasure and prospecting trip. The very beautiful ceremony of dedicating our service flag distinguishes this meeting from all others in the past. Our loyalty stands pledged to the memory of those on the Honor Roll. An earnest prayer was uttered by Sov. Luna for the safe return of those boys who have left the 'home fires' to help win the freedom of the world. How gloriously this has been achieved is related to us in terms of highest praise by the most noted men in the world today.

When the message that peace was declared was flashed from the cables of Europe we felt that being Americans was a priceless honor.

Spontaneous good nature was vibrant throughout the time spent in the dining room where sandwiches, cake and coffee were served.

Last month just before the ravages of the Influenza prohibited further public gatherings we welcomed two other members to our Circle. Mrs. Williams and Mrs. Brown. Our thanks are due Mr. Phillips who treated us to ice cream at the Manhattan Parlor.

## THREE AND A HALF INCH SNOW THIS WEEK

R. E. Karner, of the Lubbock Experimental Station reports the snow fall at three and a half inches, and he estimates the amount of moisture from that to be half an inch. The weather has been cold and damp most of the week, and at this writing there is still considerable snow on the ground. The temperature has rose quite a bit today and the snow will melt rapidly.

## MOST BUSINESS HOUSES CLOSE FOR THANKSGIVING

The majority of the business houses of the city are closed today, in observance of Thanksgiving. This day will in all probability be observed by a greater number of people this year than ever before. Indeed the world has much to be thankful for.

## UNION THANKSGIVING SERVICE AT METHODIST CHURCH

The Union Thanksgiving service will be held in the Methodist church this evening at 7:30 o'clock. Special musical program will be rendered by the choir members of the several churches. Rev. J. B. Cole will preach the sermon.

W. A. Morris received word of the death of his father in Mississippi, which occurred last week. The information came too late for him to attend the funeral.

## BIG WAR QUESTIONS TO BE SOLVED

PEACE CONFERENCE WILL BE HELD IN PARIS AND WILL BE ATTENDED BY PRESIDENT WILSON IN DECEMBER.

## McADOO ASKS CALL FOR FIFTH LIBERTY LOAN IN APRIL

Campaign Will Likely be Launched Latter Part of the Month. Heads Of Navy Department State That Half American Fleet May be Sent to Pacific After Return From Europe.

Washington, Nov. 27.—President Wilson's plans for attending the peace conference are all matured with the exception of the day and hour of sailing. His departure, however, is certain, early next week.

It is entirely probable that the first announcement of the personnel of the American delegation will be made in the president's address to the opening of congress, which will be delivered on Monday and Tuesday. At the same time, the president may take occasion to make something in the nature of a statement to the country, as well as to congress, on his going to Europe, something no other president has ever done.

The most important announcement that has yet been made in connection with the official plans for the peace conference came today. It was that there would be absolutely no censorship on the news on which the American newspaper correspondents send back home. At the request of President Wilson both the British and French governments will entirely relax all censorship on all American newspaper dispatches telling of the deliberations. Furthermore, to facilitate the transmission of news to this country, the government, through its recently acquired control of the cable lines, will give news a preference in transmission second only to government official business. News will take preference over all commercial business on the cable lines.

George Creel, chairman of the Committee on Public Information, also announced today that the committee's machinery in Paris would exercise nothing whatever approaching a censorship on the dispatches telling of the progress of the conference. All the committee's facilities, Mr. Creel said, are to be devoted to helping the American newspaper correspondents get the news back home. The committee's offices in Paris will be used as a headquarters for newspaper correspondents; stenographers, typewriters and interpreters are to be provided, and the committee's machinery also will be used to assist the correspondents to get their dispatches on the cables.

Washington, Nov. 27.—With the passing of German sea power, the compelling strategic reason for keeping the main strength of the American army massed on the Atlantic ocean no longer exists. Naval officers here anticipate, therefore, that the fleet will be divided when the war emergency has passed and substantially one-half of the main fighting strength of the navy go into a reorganized Pacific fleet.

Secretary Daniels indicated today

that a general re-arrangement of the fighting ships was to be expected. He gave no inkling of what is under consideration, however, his statement having been brought out by questions when he announced that Vice-Admiral Sims, commanding the American naval forces in European waters, would be nominated to the rank of admiral when Admiral Knight, commanding the Asiatic fleet, retires next month. Rear Admiral Gleaves, commanding the convoying forces, will be named by President Wilson for the vacant vice-admiral's post thus created. No change in assignments will accompany the promotions, which will be made for merit.

Washington, Nov. 27.—Notice that the country must prepare for another intensive war loan campaign, probably in the latter part of April, was given today by Secretary McAdoo in a letter to bankers explaining the treasury's program for floating certificates of indebtedness and bonds during the next six months.

The secretary stated that plans for continuous sale of government bonds, recently discussed as a strong possibility, had been abandoned and that plans had been made for "one more great popular campaign." Previously he had announced that the bonds to be offered then would be of short maturity, less than ten years, and it has been indicated that the amount would be around five billions.

Although Mr. McAdoo did not state the time of the campaign, it was learned the treasury plans tentatively to hold it the last three weeks in April.

Blocks of treasury certificates of indebtedness, ranging in amount between \$500,000,000 and \$750,000,000 would be marketed every two weeks, beginning December 5 to provide funds for running the government until payments from the fifth war loan begin to come in, and these payments then will be used to pay off the certificates. Every bank will be expected to subscribe 5 per cent of its gross resources monthly to these certificates.

The first issue of \$600,000,000 minimum, announced today, may be subscribed between December 5 and December 10, will mature next May 6, and will bear 4½ per cent. This rate is not considered as affording any indication of the interest to be born by the fifth war loan bonds.

Mr. McAdoo also disclosed today that the government's expenses this month will probably run to a new high record of \$2,000,000,000 and that "the wise policy of prompt liquidation of contracts" may increase rather than lower the government's outlays.

## TEXAS IS LEGALLY "DRY" SAYS ATTORNEY GENERAL

Austin, Texas, Nov. 27.—Notwithstanding that the court of criminal appeals has declared the Texas statutory law prohibiting sales of intoxicating liquors unconstitutional and refused a motion for rehearing today, Attorney General Looney declared that the state still is legally "dry" and his department will spare no effort authorized by law to prohibit traffic in intoxicating liquors.

The state comptroller, following an opinion given by the attorney general, said he would not issue permits to secure license to sell liquor in Texas.

The attorney general holds that only the portion of the law which prohibits selling intoxicants is affected by the recent decision and that those parts which make it a felony to transport, advertise, manufacture, deliver or restore liquors are still in force. He also holds that all liquor licenses became void when the act went into effect and that no law authorizing issuance of new licenses is now in force.

Injunctions restraining practically every railroad in the state from shipping liquors have been obtained by the attorney general and an appeal to dissolve one injunction has been made to a court of civil appeals by one of the railroads.

## TELEPHONE CASE IS REVERSED AT AMARILLO

The case of F. K. Mitchell against the Southwestern Telegraph and Telephone Company, appealed from the courts of this county, has been reversed and remanded.

In this case Mitchell was given a verdict and judgment for failure to deliver a death message.

John F. Pope of Floydada was listed in Monday's casualty report, as slightly wounded in action. William B. Norris, of Memphis, and Clyde R. Powell, of Miami, were also reported under the same date as having received slight wounds.

Rev. W. E. Lyon, presiding elder of the Lubbock District, accompanied by Mrs. Lyon, went over to Matador the latter part of last week. This is one of the new appointments in the Lubbock District and Brother Lyon is looking over the new field.

Horace Britton, of Lubbock was reported wounded severely in the list of casualties under date of November 26th. Joe G. Doorman of Plains, was reported at the same time as having been killed in action.

A number of the American submarine chasers have returned home from the war zone, there being no more German submarines to chase.

## SOME WEATHER REPORTS FROM WEST TEXAS POINTS

Colorado, Texas, Nov. 26.—A three-inch snow fell here and it is still snowing.

Childress, Texas, Nov. 26.—It has been snowing continually here since Sunday morning.

Big Spring, Texas, Nov. 26.—The hardest snow storm in years has lasted here all day. The wheat acreage is the largest in years.

Haskell, Texas, Nov. 26.—It has been snowing forty-eight hours, which will do much good to 50,000 acres of wheat in Haskell county.

Aspermont, Texas, Nov. 26.—Snow has been falling here since an early hour Sunday night. About four inches has fallen and there are no sign of abatement.

San Angelo, Texas, Nov. 26.—Snow varying from four to five inches fell over the entire San Angelo territory Monday night and Tuesday morning. It is said to have been the heaviest snow ever recorded in this section.

Stephenville, Texas, Nov. 26.—Snow fell nearly all day yesterday, but melted, and last night about two and a half inches fell, and most of it has melted away today. This helps to finish the season for a good crop of wheat and oats.

Snyder, Texas, Nov. 26.—Three inches of snow has fallen here in 24 hours and it is still snowing heavily. It is the deepest snowfall in four years and is expected to be of great benefit to wheat, of which there is the largest acreage ever sown in Scurry County.

## TEXAS CAVALRY WILL NOT BE MUSTERED INTO SERVICE

The new Texas cavalry brigades will not be mustered into the Federal service, according to a letter received by Representative Buchanan from Secretary of War Baker. The signing of the armistice has changed the policy of the war department, the secretary said, and it would now be the order to decrease rather than increase the size of the army.

Robert A. Houston, of Lamesa was reported in the list of killed in action, under date of November 21. Under the same date Willie Landrum, of Lockney was reported missing in action, and Henry Drummond, of Stamford was wounded.

## MANUAL TRAINING DEPARTMENT MAKING SPLINTS

The Manual Training Department of the Lubbock School received instructions from the Red Cross Department to make 100 dozen splints to be used in the hospitals in France. They have gone to work in earnest on the job, and will complete it as fast as they possibly can. This department of the school has done a great deal for the Red Cross, as well as all other departments of the school.

## C. A. PIERCE LOSES RESIDENCE BY FIRE

The residence of Charlie Pierce was destroyed by fire last Sunday night at ten o'clock. It is not known how the fire started and the flames had gained considerable headway before it was discovered. The building was a total loss and but little of the household goods were removed. Mr. Pierce, we understand carried two thousand dollars insurance on the building and contents.

## WEST TEXAS BOYS REPORTED IN CASUALTIES

The following young men were reported in the casualty list given out under date November 22; from West Texas: Sergt. Gerry L. Alverson, Plainview, Texas, killed in action; James C. Cole, Post, Texas, killed in action; Carl Baker, Memphis, Texas missing; Charlie L. Teague, Knox City, Texas; Robert C. W. Williams, Vernon, Texas.

## LUBBOCK COUNTY IS BEHIND WITH W. S. S. QUOTA

According to reports from State Director Louis Lipsitz, Lubbock county is away behind with her payments on War Savings Stamps. Her quota is \$121,200, and her sales have reached only \$49,648.44, equaling a per capita of \$8.21.

## SANTA FE WILL NOT REMOVE OFFICES FROM AMARILLO

Washington, Nov. 26.—The Railroad Administration will not order removal of the Santa Fe general offices from Amarillo to Topeka, as contemplated, according to word received by Senator Sheppard today.